

Petitioner certified and submitted FCC Form 471# 181041135 on April 5, 2018, which was within 14 days of the Funding Year 2018 filing deadline. The delay stemmed from inclement weather and resultant power outages, which caused the Petitioner's email server to go offline. This delayed the receipt of bids, consequently, forced the Petitioner to postpone the bid evaluation process until it could ensure that all bids submitted by vendors had been reviewed thoroughly in light of Petitioner's needs. Once Petitioner completed its bid evaluation, it notified its E-rate consultant of the awards. The undersigned then drafted and completed the Form 471, linked the necessary contracts to the appropriate Funding Request Numbers, and certified FCC Form 471# 181041135 on April 5, 2018.

II. Request

In light of the above circumstances, Petitioner respectfully petitions the Commission to waive the Funding Year 2018 FCC Form 471 filing deadline to allow its Out-of-Window submission of Funding Year 2018 FCC Form 471# 181041135. The Commission has a longstanding practice of finding good cause to grant such waivers when the FCC Form 471 is filed within 14 days of the filing deadline, it serves the public interest, and there is no evidence of waste, fraud and abuse.¹ All of these criteria are met in the instant matter.

If you have any questions in regard to this submission, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully Submitted,



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¹ See, e.g., *Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Allen Shivers Library et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order and Order on Reconsideration, DA 14-1256, paras. 1, 3 & 4 (August 28, 2014) (finding special circumstances exist to justify granting waiver requests where, for example, petitioners filed their FCC Forms 471 within 14 days after the FCC Form 471 filing window deadline); *Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Boston Renaissance School et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order and Order on Reconsideration, DA 14-250, paras. 1, 3 & 4 (February 24, 2014) (finding special circumstances existed to justify granting waiver requests "because each of those petitioners filed its applications within 14 days of the close of the filing window."); *Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by A.C.E. Charter High School et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, DA 12-2057, paras. 2, 4 & 5 (December 28, 2012) (same); *Requests for Review of the Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Academy of Math and Science, et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 9256, 9259-60, paras. 8 & 9 (2010) (same).